

Using Preliminary Loss Reports

WHO: Company-level leaders

WHAT: Distribute and discuss relevant Preliminary Loss Reports (PLRs) with their formation; PLRs are brief summaries of recent serious accidents

WHY: Current, relevant information on recent mishaps may help prevent the same in your formation

WHEN: Weekly or biweekly

TIME REQ'D: Less than 10 minutes

HOW:

1. Make sure you have access to PLRs; they're e-mailed to brigade commanders and above as they occur, so request copies through your chain
2. Post PLRs in a conspicuous location so Soldiers can read them
3. When a really applicable one comes out, pick a time very soon to share it with your formation
4. When the squad, platoon, or company is assembled, introduce it, read it, and discuss it
 - What happened
 - Why it happened
 - Key factors
 - How to prevent it

See sample PLR, attached, and look for the above